Introduced by Senator Dutton

February 23, 2007

An act relating to energy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1012, as introduced, Dutton. Energy: renewables portfolio standard.

Existing law establishes the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program, which requires a retail seller of electricity, including electrical corporations, community choice aggregators, and electric service providers, but not including local publicly owned electric utilities, to purchase a specified minimum percentage of electricity generated by eligible renewable energy resources, in any given year as a specified percentage of total kilowatthours sold to retail end-use customers each calendar year.

The Warren-Alquist State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Act establishes the Renewable Energy Resources Program to increase the amount of electricity generated from eligible renewable energy resources.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to ensure that the state meets the targets established by the renewables portfolio standard program by enacting legislation creating a multiagency body under the direction of the Governor to identify and resolve permitting issues associated with renewable energy generation and transmission line facilities.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to ensure that 2 the state meets the targets established by the California Renewables 3 Portfolio Standard Program, as set forth in Article 16 (commencing 4 with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the 5 Public Utilities Code, which is intended to complement the 6 Renewable Energy Resources Program administered by the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission and established pursuant to Chapter 8.6 (commencing with Section 25740) of Division 15 of the Public Resources Code, by enacting legislation to establish, within state government, a multiagency 10 11 body under the direction of the Governor for the purpose of identifying and resolving permitting issues associated with 12 13 renewable energy generation and transmission line facilities.